

“Don’t Say Gay”, Misinformation, and how Monroevillites should react

A new legislative bill has sparked controversy in the nation as the divide that takes hold of our nation spreads into education. Florida Governor Ron DeSantis signed into law the “Parental Rights in Education” bill that requires school boards *“to adopt procedures that comport with certain provisions of law for notifying student's parent of specified information; requires such procedures to reinforce fundamental right of parents to make decisions regarding upbringing & control of their children; prohibits school district from adopting procedures or student support forms that prohibit school district personnel from notifying parent about specified information or that encourage student to withhold from parent such information; prohibits school district personnel from discouraging or prohibiting parental notification & involvement in critical decisions affecting student's mental, emotional, or physical well-being,”* and other such rules in order to make sure schools were acting in the interest of parents.

What you might have noticed is the lack of any wording referencing the LGBT movement, its many identities, or really anything related to anything specific to any group. Instead, the bill is focusing on schools to focus on education rather than trying to give their students (Kindergarten to Third Grade) some form of moral or political lesson based on the educator's own personal beliefs. This bill is meant to allow parents, not the education system, to give their own children their inherent moral beliefs. Sure, education and growth will allow one to build their personal viewpoints, but what is happening is that educators, such as recently reported in the California Spreckels Union School District, are forcing their ideology onto their students.

That being said, Monroevillites need to take into consideration that many groups are using this bill to discredit candidates and force their beliefs onto our society and national conversations. Whether you support the LGBT movement or not doesn't matter; the fact is that there are is a small but noisy group of Democrats, who don't see anything wrong with lying about a bill in order to force their views on children. These hard left partisans use the fog of the news cycle, knowing that most people do not have the time to read legislation closely, to hijack the real content with a misleading headline to guide their minions into protesting mindlessly. This isn't even hyperbole, with states like Maryland *“protesting”* the Florida bill by enforcing *“gender identity instruction”* in elementary schools.

We as citizens of Monroeville should watch more closely to our local school council. Like the recent talks and data debating the need for an *“equity director”* in our local

conversation regarding the Gateway School District, we should be aware of facts that chaotic gender identity issues could already be happening without parental consent or knowledge. We must affirm parental rights to know what is being taught to their children, prevent the pushing of extreme ideology onto students, and furthermore, ensure an appropriate use of our tax dollars backed with actual facts and not ideologically based partisanship.

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